February 16, 1999

Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire Secretary Federal Communications Commission Room 222 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554



Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Congress, Arizona.

Sincerely,

Victor A. Michael Jr.

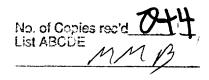
President

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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554

In the matter of:)	
Amendment of Section 73.202 (b))	RM-
Table of Allotments)	Kivi-
FM Broadcast Stations)	
(Congress, Arizona)	. <i>)</i>	

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 242A (96.3 Mhz) to Congress, Arizona as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 242A (96.3 Mhz) to Congress and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 242A to Congress will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Congress is located in Central Arizona. It is also located within Avapai County, a county of some 107,714 persons. Beulah has a population of 750 persons in accordance with the 1999 Rand McNally Road Atlas, which is based on 1990 census data.

- 3. The allotment of channel 242A to Congress will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Congress is located at Wickenburg, Arizona. Wickenburg is located 9 kilometers from Congress. Congress, while not incorporated, has many retail businesses as it is located on the conjested highway 89 which leads to Prescott, Arizona. Congress has also seen growth and is estimated to have a population of over 800 persons. It has a church, school and civic organizations.
- 4. Congress would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 9 Kilometers of Congress. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Congress area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards. It is obvious from the above spacing, that Congress is presently without local FM service.
- 5. Channel 242A can be allotted to Congress and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73,202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	
Congress, Arizona	mail in the distribution regarded.	242A	

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 242A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 242A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 34 - 09' - 24", W. 112 - 50' - 30") are that of a site located within the community of Congress. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 242A to Congress. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Congress. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Congress would benefit from the allotment of channel 242A. It has also been shown that channel 242A can be allotted to Congress and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 242A for Congress, Arizona, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 242A be allotted to Congress, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Congress, Arizona.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

February 18, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 242A6 (96.3 MHz), at N. 34 9 24, W. 112 50 30.

Searchi	ng Channel 24	2 A 6	(96.3	MHz)	:						
	CÍTY		-		CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
	Cottonwood			ΑZ	240	C1	U	88.9	75.0	48.6°	13.9
	Cottonwood			ΑZ	240	C1	L	88.9	75.0	48.6°	13.9
	Salome				241		V	82.4	72.0	239.7°	10.4
K242AC					242		L	55.5	0.0	325.6°	55.5
	Las Vegas				242			284.8	226.0	316.1°	58.8
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	Las Vegas Las Vegas				242				226.0	314.6°	56.9
	Las vegas Lake Havasu C	i+v				_		131.9	55.0	289.4°	76.9
	Lake navasu C Williams	TCY						126.1	55.0	31.0°	71.1
					245			116.5	95.0	141.6°	21.5
	Phoenix						_			141.6°	21.5
KMXP	Phoenix				245			116.5	95.0		
ALC	Buckeye			ΑZ	295	A	U	81.5	10.0	164.0	71.5
	Buckeye			ΑZ	295	A	L	81.5	10.0	164.0	71.5

FIGURE 1 MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING CONGRESS, ARIZONA